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**REMARKS**

Claims 14-39 are pending in the application. Page 2 of the Office Action requires election of a single species and restriction of claims, however, Applicant asserts that the species definitions are unclear and ambiguous. The Office Action defines Species I as an electronic apparatus fabrication method and Species II as a SOI integrated circuit fabrication method. The species definitions are ambiguous since no basis exists for a finding that they are independent and distinct. Applicant notes that a SOI integrated circuit fabrication method clearly constitutes one type of an electronic apparatus fabrication method. Thus, Species I is generic to Species II. No explanation exists in the Office Action regarding why the clearly generic Species I is nonetheless independent or distinct.

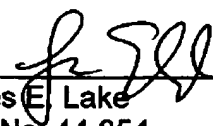
Also, although unclear, page 2 of the Office Action appears to define the species with respect to the claims, listing Species I as claims 14-28 and Species II as claims 29-39. The descriptive portions of the species definitions merely constitute the preambles of independent claims 14 and 29. Pursuant to MPEP 806.04(e), Applicant notes that "Claims are definitions of inventions. *Claims are never species . . . Species are always the specifically different embodiments.*" (Emphasis in original). Accordingly, relying upon the claims as defining species is improper.

Further, page 2 of the Office Action states that no claim is generic. Review of claim 14 in comparison to claim 29 reveals that claim 29 includes all of the limitations of claim 14. The glass substrate comprising aluminum oxycarbide set forth in claim 29 constitutes an aluminum-based glass, as set forth in claim 14. Also, a SOI integrated circuit of claim 29 constitutes an electronic apparatus, as set forth in claim 14. Thus, claim 14 is generic to claim 29.

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Merely for the purpose for complying with the restriction requirement and without admitting to the propriety of such requirement, Applicant hereby elects Species I, an electronic apparatus fabrication method, with traverse. Applicant asserts that claims 14-39 read upon the elected species. Applicant traverses on the grounds that the species restriction is improper, that the Office Action errs in associating only claims 14-28 with Species I, and the Office Action errs in stating that no claim is generic. Applicant requests consideration of claims 14-39 in the next Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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